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Title : ORDER SCHEDULING SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SCHEDULING  
APPOINTMENTS OVER MULTIPLE DAYS

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**REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

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Sir:

A Certificate of Correction under 35 U.S.C. § 254 is respectfully requested for the above-identified patent in order to correct Patent and Trademark Office errors made during the printing of the patent. The changes in the patent needed to correct the errors are as follows:

References

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M requested date

requested time

M appointment type

split time — in minutes

booking pattern — must be present if split time is specified

appointment log

appointment identifier — unique integer, present for approved appointments

M CSR identifier

M booking date

M booking time

M area

M job code

skill code — present for approved appointments

M requested date

requested time — present for basic window appointments

M appointment type

booking log(s) — present for approved appointments

error code — if the appointment is rejected

booking log

M work date

work time — present for basic window appointments

M appointment type

M minutes booked in appointment window

appointment request

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M	end time
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	description
M	travel time
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	than the current time by this amount
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     description  
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       total minutes booked — in the current window plus all subordinate  
       windows; only for all day and aggregate windows  
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#### window hierarchy

M mnemonic — character identifier

description

windows to be used by the window hierarchy today and all future dates.

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all day start time

all day end time

AM start time

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PM start time

PM end time

EV start time

EV end time

basic window start time(s)

basic window end time(s)

M indication of whether the window hierarchy is terminated

#### booking pattern

M mnemonic — character identifier

description

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M days off — integer, greater than or equal to 0

M anchor date

M start time

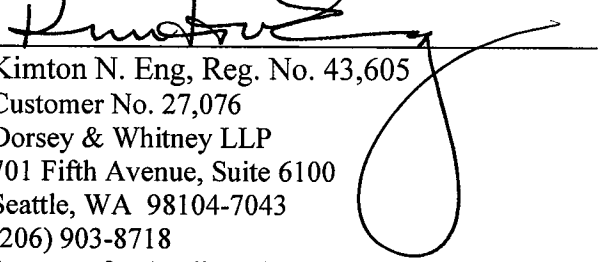
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Favorable consideration of this Request is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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